



Council on Child  
Safety and  
Family Empowerment

**Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family**  
*COUNCIL ON CHILD SAFETY AND FAMILY EMPOWERMENT*

**AFRICAN AMERICAN CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SUBCOMMITTEE**

**March 15, 2019**  
**10:00 AM**

**Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family**  
**1700 W Washington St Suite 230, Conference Room B**  
**Phoenix, AZ 85007**

A general meeting of the African American Children and Families Subcommittee was convened on March 15, 2019, at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family, Suite 230, Conference Room B, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007.

Notice having been duly given.

Members Present (4)	
Roy Dawson, Chair	
George Khalaf (call in)	
Linda Morris	
Teresa Toney	
Members Absent (3)	Staff Present (1)
Julie O'Dell	Terrilyn Miller
Judy Krysik	
Leslie Reprogle	

**MEETING MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Roy Dawson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:21 AM with four members present and three members absent.

**2. Welcome/Introductions**

Mr. Dawson welcomed everyone. Each member of the Subcommittee announced themselves.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the January 18, 2019 minutes will be given during the April 19, 2019 Subcommittee meeting due to an oversight.

**4. African American Conference on Disabilities**

Mr. Dawson gave an overview of the conference. Mr. Dawson and Subcommittee members agreed the conference was very successful and that attendees were pleased.

## 5. Community Meetings

Subcommittee members discussed the March 21, 2019 Focus Group that will be held at the First Pentecostal Church located at 2701 E. Marguerite Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85040, and finalized event logistics which included:

- Venue Details
  - Arrive for setup at 5:00 PM.
  - Focus Group will be located in the Sanctuary.
  - Salad, sandwiches and cookies will be served in the Fellowship Hall.
  - Focus Group table and chairs will be in a U-shape.
  - Audience chairs will be in rows facing the U-shaped opening.
- Arizona State University (ASU) students will serve as greeters and note takers.
- PowerPoint slides were recommended for the Focus Group introduction.
  - Purpose of the Council on Child Safety and Family Empowerment.
  - Purpose of the Subcommittee on African American and Children.
  - Department of Child Safety Data.
- Focus Group Roles
  - The Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, Deputy Director, Malcolm Hightower, will represent GOYFF during the opening to set the stage and framework of Child Safety and Family Empowerment Council.
  - Mr. Dawson will serve as the media designee.
  - Dr. Judy Krysik will moderate the Focus Group discussion.

The Subcommittee members discussed the questions that would be asked. Mr. George Khalaf recommended keeping the questions broad in the manner of focus groups. Dr. Krysik's recommendations were read. In addition it was suggested that participants be asked if they understand how DCS defines abuse and neglect as well as how DCS and the African American Community can work better together.

The Subcommittee members then discussed and volunteered for the different roles and responsibilities in preparation for the Focus Group:

- Dr. Krysik said she would train and prepare the ASU students for the roles and provide the bottled water
- Ms. Linda Morris said she would coordinate with the First Pentecostal Church staff
- Mr. Dawson said he would provide a spreadsheet of the of the Focus Group participants
- Mr. Khalaf offered \$100 to cover the food costs
- Ms. Teresa Tony and Mr. Dawson said they would shop for the food and bring it

## 6. Future Meeting Dates

April 19, 2019  
May 17, 2019  
June 21, 2019

## 7. Adjourn

Mr. Dawson requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Linda Morris moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Ms. Toney. Meeting adjourned at 11:14 AM with no dissenting votes.